Bow-Street, Covent-Garden.

Sir J. Fielding's General Preventive Plan;

OR,

PUBLIC HUE AND CRY.

Sent to the Mayors and Chief Officers of Corporations, the Acting Magiſtrates in the Counties at large, and the Keepers of every County Gaol throughout England.

From FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 26, to FRIDAY, DECEMBER 3, 1773. Nº. 1.

SIR JOHN FIELDING thinks it his Duty to acquaint the Magiſtrates who honour him with their Correſpondence, that he finds it neceſſary for the more effectual Execution of his general preventive Plan, to eſtabliſh an independent NEWS PAPER, and to appropriate it entirely to this great Purpoſe, ſo that beſides thoſe Occurrences that regard the Civil Power, it will not contain any controverſial, political, or defamatory Matters, but be confined to the beſt authenticated Paragraphs of News, and occaſionally ſuch moral Eſſays on human Life as may co-operate with and aſſiſt the general Intentions of this Plan, by reforming the Errors, and checking thoſe Vices ariſing from Extravagance and Diſſipation, which makes this general Exertion of the Civil Power ſo neceſſary; and herein many worthy and ingenious Gentlemen, who from Infirmity, Diffidence, or a ſtudious Diſpoſition, have it not in their Power to benefit the Community, may have an Opportunity of gratifying the Feelings of their good Hearts, by employing a Pen in this no leſs ſeaſonable than ſalutary Undertaking.

This PAPER will not be ſold, nor will any private advantage be derived from it to the Editor, and as the Plan itſelf is countenanced by His Majeſty on the moſt humane Principles, this Mode of executing it will be open to every benevolent Purpoſe; any Improvements therefore in Arts, Manufactures and Commerce, and every Diſcovery for the Benefit of Mankind, if ſubſtantially authenticated, will be moſt chearfully and readily inſerted to the Advantage of the Inventor, which it is hoped may be frequently the Means of raiſing unknown or diſtreſſed Merit from Obſcurity.

TO PURCHASERS OF HORSES, SHOPKEEPERS, &c.

A CAUTION.

AS the front Page of this NEWS PAPER is ſtuck up in the Market-Place of every Corporation Town from Cornwall to Edinburgh, by Order of the Mayors and Chief Officers of ſuch Corporations, and alſo in ſome conſpicuous Place of the Public Road, by the Magiſtrates of the Counties at large to whom it is ſent; and from the preſent Encouragement of this Plan, Notices of Horſes being ſtolen, and other Robberies are tranſmitted to the PUBLIC-OFFICE IN BOW-STREET; it is recommended to all Perſons to whom any Horſes or Plate, or other Goods may be offered in the Country, under ſuſpicious Circumſtances, to examine the HUE AND CRY before they purchaſe, as they may poſſibly find them advertiſed therein. And if any ſuſpicious Perſons are obſerved, it would be prudent to examine the ſaid HUE AND CRY, as poſſibly there may be ſome Account of them therein.

To the PRINTERS of all the Country NEWS PAPERS.

SIR JOHN FIELDING deſires that the PRINTERS of all the Country NEWS PAPERS will inſert the following Advertiſement of Two Horſes ſtolen from Litchfield, once in each of their Papers, for the Expence of which he makes himſelf anſwerable.

PUBLIC OFFICE, *Bow-Street, Nov.* 29, 1773.

STOLEN from near Litchfield the 19th or 20th of November laſt, a dark iron-grey Gelding, four Years old, fifteen Hands high and upwards, has a long grey Tail never docked, a ſmall Snip in the Noſe, a little White on the two hind Feet, goes badly on his fore Legs, the Property of Mr. Henry Bird.

Alſo a ſtrong black Gelding, three Years old, upwards of fourteen Hands high, a Star in his Forehead, two white Feet behind, his tail nick'd, rather long in the Back, a fine Forehand, the Hair on the off Foot before rough, the Property of Mr. John Sylveſter.

The Perſon ſtrongly ſuſpected of the above Felony is a Perſon who lived as a Servant in the Stables at Litchfield, goes by the Name of Rough Jack; he is ſuppoſed to be a Yorkſhire Man, is about five Feet, four Inches high, black Complexion, knock-knee'd, and pock-marked, wore a blue Coat, red Waiſtcoat, and leather Breeches. Whoever can give ſuch Intelligence to Sir John Fielding, or to Mr. Thomas Richardſon, Treaſurer to the Society for proſecuting Horſe-Stealers, at Litchfield, as may be the Means of recovering the ſaid Horſes, and apprehending the Offender or Offenders, ſhall receive a Reward of Ten Guineas on Conviction of the Offender or Offenders, to be paid by the ſaid Mr. Richardſon.

STOLEN from Sheffield the 24th of November, an aged bay Gelding, fifteen Hands one Inch high, well made, and full of Fleſh, a little Hair on his Tail, a Star in his Forehead, a remarkable Walk with his fore Feet. One Guinea Reward is offered by the Owner. Give Notice to the above Office, or to Mr. J. Withers, at Sheffield.

STOLEN the 26th of November, near Camberwell in Surry, a cheſnut Filly, fourteen Hands high, a Blaze down her Face, ſquare cut Tail, the near Leg behind white, has been bliſtered, riſing five Years old, is very rough by being at Graſs. One Guinea Reward is offered by the Owner. Give Notice to the above Office, or to Mr. John Varnham, in Five-Foot Lane, Southwark.

WHEREAS William Newland ſtands charged upon Oath, with ſtealing ſix Heifers, from Chinkford, in Eſſex, about a Week ago, which are ſince recovered. Whoever will apprehend the ſaid William Newland, and bring him before Sir John Fielding, or give ſuch Notice to that Magiſtrate, or to Thomas Chambers, of Walthamſtow, as may be the Means of his being apprehended, ſhall receive Two Guineas Reward, on his Conviction, from the ſaid Thomas Chambers.

The ſaid William Newland is about thirty-ſix Years of Age, about five Feet ten Inches high, ſmooth faced, light Eyes, and dark Eye-brows, thin viſaged, rather ſwarthy, has a wide Mouth and thin Lips, wears a grizzle Cut Wig, has black Cloaths, and alſo light drab Cloaths, has been a Higler at Chinkford, and lately kept the Black Bull Ale-houſe there.

From the LONDON GAZETTE, Nov. 27.

Munich, Nov. 18.

ON the 14th inst. died at Ratisbon, Baron Karg, Minister Plenipotentiary from the Elector of Cologne. He was also charged with the vote of the Elector Palatine at the Diet; and often by proxy with that of Bavaria; together with those of the Grand Master of the Teutonick Order, the Bishops of Strasbourg, Hildesheim, Paderborn, Trent, Brixen and Munster; the Princes Abbots of Stablo, and of Corvey, and the Prince of Hohenzollern.

Hamburgh, Nov. 19. We are informed, by letters from Keil, that, on the 15th instant, about noon, Monsieur de Saldern, the principal commissary from the Grand Duke of Russia, went to the council-chamber, where the members of the regency were previously assembled, and declared to them, that their functions were now to cease, and that the next day (Tuesday the 16th instant) was fixed for the transferring the Duchy of Holstein to his Danish Majesty: in consequence of which declaration, a message was sent to the officers of the council-board, and also to those of the other colleges, to attend at the council-chamber; and when they were all come together, Monsieur de Wolff, President of the council, informed them of Monsieur de Saldern's notification: at the same time signifying to them, that they were to meet again at their respective apartments about seven o'clock next morning, in order to be present at the act of cession. Orders were likewise given for dispatching of all such decrees and resolutions as were necessary on the occasion, and also for defacing the council seals.

The Prelates, the deputies of the nobility, the officers of the bailiwicks, the magistrates of the towns, and other officers, who are to take the oath of allegiance to the King of Denmark, arrived at Keil on the 13th.

On the 16th, about eight o'clock in the morning, the members of the regency, the officers of the council-board and of the other colleges, being assembled, his Excellency Monsieur de Saldern opened the business in a speech, shewing his authority from the Empress of Russia, and the Grand Duke, to deliver up the Duchy of Holstein to his Danish Majesty's principal commissary, Count Reventlau; adding, that it was his Imperial Highness's will and intention, that, with the said Dutchy, all the rights, prerogatives, and territorial sovereignty thereunto belonging, should also be transferred to the King of Denmark, according to treaty. Monsieur de Saldern then proceeded to make the cession, which was performed by delivering to Count Reventlau the keys of the city of Keil, together with a piece of earth, it being the usual ceremony on such occasions. After which Count Reventlau administered the oaths of allegiance and homage to the military, prelates, &c. who assured them of his Danish Majesty's protection, and of the uninterrupted enjoyment of their rights and privileges. The ceremony lasted till noon.

The Grand Duke's arms, which were fixed over the door of the Holstein post-house in this city, were taken down last Tuesday, in consequence of orders which the post-master had previously received for that purpose.

St. James's, Nov. 24. This day their Majesties came from Kew to the Queen's Palace, to reside during the winter.

The same day his Royal Highness George Prince of Wales, his Royal Highness Prince Frederick, and their Royal Highnesses the Princes and Princesses, returned from Kew for the winter-season.

IN pursuance of the directions of an Act passed in the tenth of George III. I do hereby give notice, That the death of John Huske, Esq. late Member of Parliament for the borough of Malden in the county of Essex, hath been certified to me in writing, under the hands of two members of Parliament; and that I shall issue my warrant to the clerk of the Crown, to make out a new writ for the electing of a burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the said Borough of Malden, in the room of the said John Huske, Esq. deceased, at the end of fourteen days. Dated the twenty-second day of November, one thousand seven hundred and seventy-three. Fl. Norton, Speaker.

MONDAY, Nov. 29.

LONDON.

At the close of the poll on Saturday at Guildhall, the numbers were as follow:

For Alderman Bull	—	345
Mr. Roberts	—	266

The following is the oath against bribery and corruption, which is administered to every Liveryman, previous to his polling at the present election:

"I A. B. do swear *(or being one of the people called Quakers, I A. B. do solemnly affirm)* I have not received or had by myself, or any person whatever in trust for me, or for my use and benefit, directly or indirectly, any sum or sums of money, office, place or employment, gift or reward, or any promise or security for any money, office, employment or gift, in order to give my vote at this election".

Yesterday the Rev. Dr. Douglass preached before their Majesties, at the Chapel Royal, St. James's. The sword of state was carried by Lord Bruce. After their Majesties returned from Chapel, there was a very splendid appearance of the nobility and gentry at the drawing-room, St. James's.

It is said that Edward Willes, Esq. son of the Bishop of Bath and Wells, will succeed his father as decypherer of letters to his Majesty.

The Lord Bishop of St. Asaph has been pleased to appoint the Rev. William Shipley, A. M. Chancellor of the diocese of St. Asaph, in the room of the late Sir Thomas Salisbury.

Thomas Scawen, Esq. is appointed a Lieutenant in the first regiment of foot-guards.

Thomas Hervey, Esq. is appointed Captain of a company in the first regiment of foot-guards, in the room of Spencer Cowper, Esq. who retires.

Saturday morning a dispensation passed the Great Seal, to empower the Rev. Mr. Foster, L. L. B. of Sidney College, Cambridge, to hold the vicarage of Humberstone, together with the rectory of Grimoldby, both in the county and diocese of Lincoln.

Mr. George Gates, of Rochester, in the county of Kent, Gent. is, by the Lord Chancellor, appointed a Master Extraordinary in the Court of Chancery.

We are informed by a correspondent, that the week before last, on account of the flood, a number of barges lay at Great Marlow-bridge, but the water abating, the barge-masters intended to have proceeded on their voyage on Monday morning last, and for that purpose had got horses ready to tow their barges according to the power given by the late act for improving the Thames navigation; but a great many of the men who formerly towed the barges, being out of employment, assembled together, and insisted upon towing up the barges at the old price, which the barge-masters totally refused, because they could have their boats towed for one third of that money. Upon this a riot ensued, and the navigation was stopped for all that day. The men refused to let the owners put on the horses, and kept guard all Monday night, to prevent the boats being drawn away without their knowledge. On Tuesday morning some of the ringleaders of the men having been apprehended, by virtue of a warrant, and brought before a justice of the peace, six of them were ordered to find sureties for their good behaviour, or be committed; four out of the six found sureties, and the other two were on Wednesday sent to Aylesbury gaol. This entirely quelled the riot, the boats were peacably towed away by horses, and as many of the poor men as have applied, have been set to work by the commissioners of the navigation. Thus, this affair, which once wore a threatening aspect, was, by the prudent interposition and lenient conduct of a worthy magistrate, put a stop to, with the least disagreeable consequences possible to any of the parties; for had the proclamation in the riot act been read, 'tis most probable that many lives had been lost, and much mischief ensued, but now no damage has happened but the loss of time to the barge-masters, and one of the men receiving a wound in his eye, which was accidentally given by a barge-master, in attempting to cut the string: the men had fastened to his line to tow by.

Last Saturday afternoon two gentlemen in a post-chaise were robbed, by a single highwayman, between Wimbleton and Wandsworth; immediately after which, they returned to the house where they hired the chaise, and giving notice of the robbery, an hostler belonging to the inn, with another person, immediately set out in pursuit of him. Coming towards a gentleman on horseback, and calling out to him to stop, the gentleman, taking them for highwaymen, rode as fast as he could from them; they however came nearly up with him, fired, and lodged the whole of the shot in his back; they then seized him and brought him back to the house, when the post-boy declared he was not the person that stopt them. A surgeon was sent for, who extracted the shot, and the gentleman was brought home to his house in Southwark, on Sunday, very ill.

On Sunday the 21st inst. the Right Hon. Lady Mary Fox was happily delivered of a son and heir, at Winterslow-house, to the great joy of that noble family.

And, on Tuesday last, the Right Hon. Lady Stavordale was delivered of a daughter, at Redlynch, in Somersetshire.

The following letter, received by the last mail, gives as melancholy an account of the effects of the plague as perhaps ever was known:

Aleppo, (Heliopolis) Aug. 31. The 19th of Jan. last the plague first manifested itself in the suburbs of Bagdat, (near the ruins of the ancient Babylon) and soon after in the city itself. It made such havock in the months of February, March, and April, that of four hundred thousand inhabitants, only a quarter part were left alive. The inhabitants of the neighbouring towns of Hela, Iman-Aly, Iman-Hussein, and Iman-Mousa, have been intirely swept away. Several travellers who passed by those places in April, found all the houses deserted, and nothing but dead carcasses left. Some pilgrims from Iman-Aly, and some Jewish families who escaped from Bagdat, carried the contagion to Bossora, and at which place, till towards the end of March, the Christians and Franks shut themselves up to prevent infection, which the Turks neglecting, eight thousand of them perished, in one quarter alone of the city, from the 15th to the 25th of April. Of five hundred domesticks of the Musselim (the Governor) one slave only escaped with life. This city consisted of an hundred thousand inhabitants, of whom eighty thousand have perished. Five thousand fled to the Persian Gulph, about the same number escaped the infection, and ten thousand have arrived here. The number of Christians who perished, amounted to three hundred and seventy-four, seventy-four of which were of the Romish communion, more than four thousand Jews, three Idolaters, and all the rest were Turks. The heat of the month of May stopped the infection at Bagdat, and the 10th of June Bassora was delivered from it. The Bishop of Babylon (whose servants all perishing, were driven forth to seek provisions) the Consul of France, two ecclesiastics, and one Carmelite, died in first mentioned place; and in Bagdat the Sieur Perault, Agent to the India Company, and two Carmelite missionaries. A Catholic Armenian priest, aged 84, who practised physic, escaped the infection, though he attended on the sick the whole time. The several tribes of Arabians who encamp on the borders of the river Chatel Arabe, as far as the sea, and to the port of the Gulph, have likewise suffered prodigiously. Kerim-Khan, Regent of Persia, having placed a cordon of troops on the frontiers of that kingdom, preserved that country from the infection.

MARRIAGES.] On Saturday was married at Hackney, Capt. Augustus Gordon, of the 11th regiment of Infantry, to Miss Clarke, of Clapton. Wednesday Mr. Joshua Langdon, of Titchfield-street, Cavendish-square, to Miss Polly Law, of Holborn.

DEATHS.] On Friday died in Sackville-street, the Rev. Henry Burrough, L.L.D. Vicar of Wisbich, in the Isle of Ely, and Prebendary of Peterborough. Saturday, at his house in Spital-square, John Languard, Esq; an eminent silk throwster. Same day, at his house in Broad-street, John Newman, Esq; an Hamburgh merchant.

LETT to Hire, on Sunday the 14th November, and not ſince been heard of, a Blood-Bay Horſe, with a black hanging Mane and black Nag Tail, two white Feet behind, white Saddle Spots, and ſpur-galled on the near Side, a white Range down his Face, about fifteen Hands high, very genteel Appearance, aged; had on an old Saddle with ruſty Stirrup Irons, a new Saddle cloth ſtriped with Yellow, and bound round with yellow Binding. The Man is about twenty-ſix Years of Age, about five Feet ten Inches high, ſtout made, fair Complexion, ſtraight Hair, rather ſandy, his right Leg remarkably thick, with a clump or club Foot, wears a half Boot upon the club Foot, and a Shoe upon the other Foot, had on an old black cloath Coat and Waiſtcoat, and drab Breeches, a light coloured Bath-beaver Surtout Coat. Whoever will give Intelligence of the ſaid Man and Horſe, ſo as the Horſe may be had again, ſhall receive One Guinea Reward, by applying to John Burgeſs, at the Roſe, near the Turnpike, Surry-ſide Weſtminſter-Bridge, or to John Rice, at the Crown near the Bridge.

COLCHESTER, *Nov.* 22, 1773.

BROKE out of Gaol laſt Night in this Town, John Doughty, a Gardener by Trade, committed here for Felony, about forty Years old, five Feet ſeven Inches high, in his own dark brown Hair, darkiſh Complexion, fulliſh Face, pitted with the Small-pox, and ſcared much in one of his Eyes, had on an old white Drill Frock, and an old greaſy pair of Leather Breeches.

Whoever will apprehend and bring the ſaid John Doughty, to the Gaol of Colcheſter aforeſaid, ſhall receive Five Guineas Reward, from me,

JOHN GOWERS.

WHEREAS the Shop of Mr. Lutroyche, Watch-maker and Jeweller, in the Foregate-Street, Worceſter, was broke into on the 20th of November laſt, and a great Number of Watches, &c. ſtolen.

Any Perſon diſcovering the Offender or Offenders, ſo that they may be brought to Juſtice, ſhall, upon their Conviction, receive a Reward of Ten Guineas from the ſaid Mr. Lutroyche.

One Watch-maker's name, John Cooth, London, with a Silver Dial-plate; another, Richard Hamer, London; another, Thomas Jones, N°. 225, London; another, William Haſom N°. 2136, London; another, Joſeph White, N°. 862, London; another, Edward Hemmen, London, N°. 3541; another, Samuel Stockdale, London, N°. 330; another, William Wright, London, No. 683; another, N. Warkburn, Glouceſter; another, Da Marley, fecit; another, William Boyfield, London, N°. 2810; another, James Hitchcock, London, N°. 1765; another, A. Stephenſon, London, No. 335; another, N. Crawforth, Arandel, N°. 282; another, John March, Salop, N°. 527; another, Thomas Morgan, Leominſter, N°. 9288; another, John Stokes, Bewdley.

TUESDAY, Nov. 30.

LONDON.

At the cloſe of the Poll yeſterday at Guildhall, the numbers were as follow:

For John Roberts, Eſq. 931
Frederick Bull, Eſq. 834

Lord Catheart is elected Rector of the Univerſity of Glaſgow.

Extract of a Letter from Oxford, Nov. 26.

"We expect a great conteſt for the vacant Profeſſorſhip of Ancient Hiſtory in this Univerſity. The candidates are Mr. Bandineil, of Jeſus; Mr. Napleton, of Brazen-noſe; and Mr. Scott, of Univerſity;—Gentlemen of great learning and abilities, and well reſpected by the Univerſity in general. Great intereſt is making on all ſides: letters are circulated into all parts of the kingdom to the Members of Convocation, to attend the election, which is fixed to be on Thurſday the 2d day of December, when it is expected there will be as great an appearance of voters, as at the late election of Chancellor."

We hear from Yarmouth, that the herring-fiſhery this ſeaſon has been attended with great ſucceſs, and that forty ſhips laden with red herrings will ſail for the Streights.

The following ſtory having been imperfectly related, we here lay the particulars before our readers:——One William Frankland, of Kenſington, being ſummoned to appear in the Court of Exchequer, to anſwer a creditor, as divers proceſſes of law had iſſued againſt him, out of the ſeveral courts, there being no poſſibility of executing them, or to arreſt him; and for the want of an appearance, at length a writ of diſtringas was iſſued out of his Majeſty's Court of Exchequer, directed to the Sheriff of Middleſex, to diſtrain all his lands and chattels, &c. in order to enforce an appearance, on which the ſheriff made his warrant to Peter King, and another of his officers, commanding them to diſtrain on the ſaid William Frankland, &c. upon which, they went to the defendant's houſe at Kenſington, on Friday laſt, in order to execute the ſheriff's warrant on the diſtringas, and knocked at the door of his houſe; and when the officers were admitted into the ſaid houſe, they told his ſervants, that they muſt have 40s. in money, or muſt be obliged to take ſomething of the defendant's property out of the houſe to that value, in obedience and according to the command of their ſaid warrant; but were prevented from o doing by the ſervants of the houſe, who beat and ill-treated and turned them out of the houſe, in defiance of the law: and on Saturday the ſheriffs officer made his complaint to Mr. Miller, a juſtice of the peace at Hammerſmith, who granted a warrant to bring the maid and the other ſervant before him for the aſſault; whereupon one Jane Whitewood, his ſervant, was apprehended and brought before Juſtice Miller, who after examining her, and enquiring into the merits of the caſe, and after the conſtable's waiting near two hours for bail, the juſtice was going to commit her for the want of ſecurity, but Frankland, the defendant, in the diſtringas, who was her maſter, having been to the houſe of Mr. Miller, the juſtice, enquired if he was at home, and being informed by his ſervant that he was at the Bell and Anchor, where a petty ſeſſion for Kenſington diviſion was that day held, he immediately went into the ſaid houſe, and ruſhing into ſeveral rooms with a piſtol in his hand, enquired of the ſeveral companies where Juſtice Miller was, and not finding him below ſtairs, he run up one pair of ſtairs. The landlord ſeeing him ſo deſperate, followed him, and endeavoured to ſtop him, but Frankland threatened to blow his brains out, and inſtantly forced open the dining-room door where Mr. Miller was in company with ſeveral reſpectable inhabitants of the neighbouring pariſhes, on the buſineſs of the day; and with an horrid oath, enquired where the juſtice was that dared to commit his ſervant? and puſhing by the company to that part of the room, within three yards where the juſtice ſat, he ſaid, "Damn you, you are the man," and inſtantly diſcharged a horſe-piſtol, loaded with two balls, at him, when both the balls providentially miſſed his body, and went thro' his coat, on the right ſide. The company, after an obſtinate reſiſtance, ſecured him; he then declared his regret for not having killed the magiſtrate, as with the other loaded piſtol and cutlaſs, which he had, he would have cleared his way and eſcaped from them. The guard from Kenſington was ſent for, who ſecured him that night in the guard-room, and the next morning being brought before the Worſhipful John Powell, Eſq. was by him committed to Newgate, in order to take his trial at the Old Bailey, for the above atrocious crime.

MARRIAGES.] Yeſterday was married by the Rev. Mr. Willet, at St. George's Church, Hanover-ſquare, John Bacon, Eſq. of the Firſt Fruits Office, to Miſs Linnel, of Berkeley-ſquare. Yeſterday, at St. James's Church, Benjamin Riding, Eſq. of Charlotte-Street, to Miſs Elizabeth Dudley of Knightſbridge.

DEATHS.] Lately died at his ſeat at Clonbrock, in the county of Galway in Ireland, Luke Dillon, Eſq. Friday laſt, at Ealing, in Middleſex, Mr. Nicholas, an eminent brick maker.

WEDNESDAY, Dec. 1.

From the LONDON GAZETTE, Nov. 30.

Naples, October 26.

WE have accounts from Palermo of freſh troubles: ſome of the principal burghers, which claſs is diſtinguiſhed there by the name of the *Maeſtranza* or artificers, who were concerned in the late revolution, fearing a juſt puniſhment, ſigned a memorial to be preſented to his Sicilian Majeſty, imploring his Majeſty's pardon, and requeſting the return of the Duke Fogliani; others of the ſame claſs, who had been applied to, refuſed to ſign this memorial, without previouſly conſulting the lower claſs of people, who immediately, upon being informed thereof, went to the palace of the Archbiſhop, whom they obliged to appear in his balcony, and tear the memorial in their preſence, declaring at the ſame time, that, if they ſhould hear any more of a deſire to recall the Vice-Roy, they would even attack, and drive him from Meſſina.

The *Maeſtranza*, who continue in poſſeſſion of the city of Palermo, thinking it neceſſary to make an example of ſome of the lower claſs, who had taken advantage of the troubles, to commit the moſt daring robberies, ſeized upon ſeveral of them, ſome of whom were tried and condemned to die; one of the latter offered to make a great diſcovery, if they would ſpare his life; which being granted, he declared himſelf engaged in a conſpiracy, with many others, to murder the nobility, and ſeize upon the city; and that the rendezvous was in a cavern near the town; which place being accordingly ſurrounded, above three hundred of this armed rabble have been taken, the attackers having found means to drive them out of their ſtrong hold by ſmoke. The priſons at Palermo are now full, and three of the chief conſpirators have been executed.

St. James's, November 29.

The King has been pleaſed to appoint Lewis De Viſme, A. M. at preſent His Majeſty's Miniſter Plenipotentiary to the Elector of Bavaria, and Miniſter to the Dyet of Ratiſbon, to be His Majeſty's Envoy Extraordinary at the Court of Sweden, in the room of Sir John Goodricke, Bart. who has obtained His Majeſty's permiſſion to reſign.

LONDON.

Yeſterday afternoon, at the cloſe of the poll at Guildhall, for a Repreſentative in Parliament for this City, the numbers ſtood as follow:

For the Lord Mayor, —— 1381
John Roberts, Eſq. —— 1368

We hear there are no less than eight candidates for the vacant bishoprick.

Yesterday morning was opened the fine monument of General Wolfe, on the north-side of the tombs in Westminster-Abbey. The inscription is as follows:

To the Memory of
JAMES WOLFE,
Major-General and Commander in Chief
Of the British Land Forces
On an Expedition against Quebec;
Who, after surmounting by Ability and Valour
All Obstacles of Art and Nature,
Was slain,
In the Moment of Victory,
On the 13th of September, 1759.
The King
And the Parliament of Great Britain
Dedicate this Monument.

Mr. Roberts hath made oath, that he has not directly or indirectly given, or promised to give any valuable consideration for any vote, nor any promise of place or other reward.

Mr. Powell, the gentleman who set off yesterday morning to York, arrived at Bugden in Huntingdonshire, at Five o'clock in the afternoon, which is sixty-two miles.

A crew of fresh water pirates boarded the ship Arnoth about two o'clock yesterday morning, lying below Rotherhithe, with an intent to plunder her, when the ship's dog alarmed the crew, who knocked two of the villains overboard, by which they were drowned. The others, although closely pursued, got clear off.

On Saturday last, as Mr. Aswell, an eminent hatter, &c. was coming from Woolwich, to his house at Greenwich, he dropped from his horse (supposed in an apoplectick fit) and was found dead the next morning in the road, his horse being near him.

Last week several robberies were committed on the Fair Mile, between Esher and Cobham, in the county of Surry. Mr. Searle, of Kingston, was one of the persons robbed.

BIRTHS.] On Monday the lady of the Hon. Thomas Townshend, junior, Member for Beeralston, in Devonshire, was safely delivered of a daughter, at his house, in Cleveland Court, St. James's. Yesterday morning the lady of —— Douglass, Esq; was safely delivered of a daughter, at their house in South Audley Street. Same day the lady of the Hon. Mr. Hobart was brought to bed of a son and heir, to the great joy of that noble family.

DEATHS.] A few days since died, in the 72d year of his age, Mr. Robert Wood, the oldest Coach-maker in Long-Acre. Sunday, Mrs. Andrews, of Goswell-street, aged 75. Yesterday in Broad-street Buildings, Peter Crosby, Esq; belonging to the South-Sea House. Same morning of a fever, at his house in Brook-street, —— Gordon, Esq. Friday, at Hemell Hempstead, in Hertfordshire, —— Fairbourne, Esq; formerly a Hamburgh Merchant in St. Mary Axe. On Monday Mrs. Baker, wife of Mr. Baker, Jeweller, in the Great Old Bailey. Yesterday, in an advanced age, at his house at Wimbleton, John Winterbottom, Esq. formerly a Director in the South Sea Company. A few days ago, at Woodbridge, the Rev. Thomas Ray, master of the Free-school in that town, and Rector of Dallinghoe, in Suffolk. Last week, at Cuxham, Oxfordshire, the Rev. Sir John D'Oyly, Bart. the last male of the Oxfordshire branch of that ancient family, whose ancestor came over with the Conqueror, and built the castle of Oxford.

THURSDAY, Dec. 2.

LONDON.

At the close of the poll yesterday at Guildhall, the numbers were as follow:

For Mr. Roberts, — — 1740
The Lord Mayor, — 1707

We have just received intelligence from Madrid, that orders have been given to fit out sixteen ships of the line, and that the land-forces are to be considerably augmented; from which circumstances it is conjectured his Catholic Majesty will certainly oppose the Russians.

We hear from Venice, that the Right Hon. Lady Mary Coke had a narrow escape for her life on her journey to that city from Vienna, she having been nearly lost in the same river where Col. Villars was drowned in the year 1703, whose death is celebrated by Mr. Prior. Her Ladyship was seven hours in the water, and obliged at last to be carried out on mens shoulders, and her coach to be drawn out by ten oxen, the torrent being so violent.

'Tis an indisputable fact, that the King of Prussia is collecting as much corn as can be possibly got into his magazines; nor are any vessels suffered to depart from any port in his dominions, without leave.

The hurricane which happened at Versailles on the 11th instant, has done much damage: all the windows of the Royal Palace were broken, as also the 12,000 lamps that were prepared in the park for an illumination.

The Lord Bishop of Lincoln has collated the Rev. Charles Jenner, M. A. to the Archdeaconry of Huntingdon, void by the death of the Rev. Mr. Cholwell.

The Dean and Chapter of Canterbury have prefented the Rev. Mr. Bearblock to the Vicarage of West Clift, in Kent, void by the death of the Rev. Mr. Marsh.

Mr. Powell, who undertook the late expedition to York, got to Stamford on Monday evening, between nine and ten o'clock, when he eat a fowl for supper, and was willing to continue his journey to Grantham that night, but was perfuaded to continue there a few hours to reft himself, and propofed to go to Doncaster the following day, and yesterday to York, and return in his way home as far as Doncaster last night.

We are informed that Dr. Alexander Johnson's propofal of a general inftitution in this kingdom, for the recovery of perfons apparently dead, enlarged upon the Amfterdam plan, is to be made public as foon as poffible, and that the doctor will fpare no pains to animate the governors of hofpitals, and other charitable inftitutions, to follow the laudable example lately fet by thofe of St. Thomas, from a conviction of the neceffity of eftablifhing that practice, as well as of the benefit which muft arife from a number of conveniently difpofed places for the purpofe of adminiftering relief to thofe who may fall within their refpective limits.

We hear from Whitby, that the fhop of Mr. Smidey was robbed a few days ago by one John Buswick, a feaman, who immediately made his efcape. He is about thirty years of age, about five feet feven inches high, was dreffed in a fhabby brown coat, ftriped waiftcoat, and is faid to be a notorious offender.

We hear from Chefterfield, that on Saturday the 20th November the houfe of Mr. Avery Jebb was broke open there, and robbed of a pint filver cup, with two handles, marked R. B. K, and a crown piece at bottom, a table fpoon engraved on the back with a hawke, four tea fpoons marked with a hawke, and other things, by Samuel Sutton, his apprentice, a young man about feventeen years of age, who made his efcape.

We hear from Maidftone, that about a month ago a footpad robbery was committed there by one John Perry and John Tyrrell, the former of whom is in cuftody, and the latter has made his efcape; he is a butcher by trade, a Hampfhire man, is well known about Lewes and Godftone, he is about five feet ten or eleven inches high, dark ftrait hair, hard complexion, thin made, between forty and fifty years of age.

Committed to Winchefter gaol, by the Rev. Mr. Stockwell, of Dunmer, near Baffingftoke, John Bury, for ftealing linen from an alehoufe, where he lodged for one night.

Committed at Nottingham for different robberies and burglaries, Jofeph Shaw and William Taylor, their two accomplices Robert Roe and Francis Robinfon have made their efcape; they are both ftocking-weavers. Roe is a middle fized man, about twenty-nine years of age, walks upright, and has a fqueaking voice; Robinfon is about thirty years of age, about five feet nine inches high.

The two young men, Taylor and Polly, who were employed by Mr. Draper to remove fome furniture, &c. in Auguft laft in the houfe of Frederick Montague, Efq. of Hanover-fquare, and who took that opportunity of breaking open feveral drawers, defks, &c. and ftealing articles to a great amount, were traced on board a fhip in the River bound to Leith, and thro' Sir John Fielding's activity, were apprehended at Glafgow, and brought up to London. Sufficient proof of their committing the fact was produced, and they were committed accordingly. Taylor made an attempt to charge his mafter, Mr. Draper, with the robbery; but his confeffion before the magiftrates in Scotland was read, and declared him a liar.——Another fketch of juftice appeared in the cafe of a woman from Liverpool, who was apprehended for being diforderly; and tho' fhe gave a tolerable good account of herfelf, and nothing criminal was proved againft her, fhe was committed as diforderly, with a view of getting fome information from her relative to a man, who, fome time fince was innocently tried for his life, and this woman fuppofed to be fuborned as an evidence againft him. ——A foldier was arraigned for defrauding Mr. Prater, Linen-draper, of Charing-crofs, of two fhirts; he brought a frivolous order for them, fuppofed to be written by the ferjeant, and they were delivered: as the fhirts were not the property of the ferjeant, it was found, by the determination of the twelve Judges in a fimilar cafe, that the act did not amount to forgery; the foldier therefore was committed to take his trial for a fraud only.—Major Sears was next ordered to be fummoned, on a complaint of his fervant (a black) that he cruelly treated him, beat him, and threatened to fend him abroad againft his will: the bench was of opinion that a black, though the property of his maiter, was, in this land of liberty, under the protection of the laws, and that his mafter, while in this country, could not ftrike him with impunity; and that the poor young fellow might not be kidnapped on board a fhip before Friday next, the day his maiter was to attend, the magiftrates gave him a paper figned, intimating that the bearer was ordered by the fitting juftices at Bow-ftreet to attend on that day.—A man was alfo committed for defrauding feveral paftry cooks of different fums of money: his method was to befpeak three or four mince pies, and order them to be fent to fome refpectable houfe in the neighbourhood at a certain hour; he would then fay, "I have got fome articles to fend in for the family from market, and as I don't think I have quite money enough, I wifh you would lend me a couple of fhillings, and I will give you an order to receive it with the money for the pies."

MARRIAGES.] Yesterday, by special licence, was married, the Hon. Mr. Harbort to Miss Charlotte Lowther. Yesterday, at St. Margaret's, New Fish-street, Mr. Hutchinson Browne, of the Custom-house, to Mrs. Ann Search, of Stepney.

DEATHS.] Last night died at her lodgings in Piccadilly, Miss Hamilton, a young lady of Ireland. On Wednesday last, at Calne, in Wiltshire, the Rev. Dr. Hort, one of the Canons of Windsor. A few days ago, at Melton-Mowbray, Leicestershire, the Rev. Mr. Middleton, Vicar of that place and of Tugby, in the same county. Saturday morning, at two o'clock, of the gout in his head, after a few days illness, David Lewis, Esq; of Malvern Hall, near Solyhull, in Warwickshire. The 8th of last month, at Ohlau, Fred. William Seydlitz, General of Horse under the King of Prussia, Knight of the Black Eagle, Colonel of a regiment of Cuiraffiers, &c. &c. The King of Prussia, to testify his regard, has ordered all the officers of the regiments under his command, as well as those of the horse in garrison at Berlin, to wear a black crape sash on their left arm for fifteen days.

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